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WOMEN'S CAUCUS INTRODUCES RESOLUTION HONORING JUSTICE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR

*Reps. Brown-Waite and Solis Honor First Female U.S. Supreme
Court Justice*

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – **Reps. Ginny Brown-Waite (FL-05) and Hilda L. Solis (CA-32)**, Co-Chairs of the Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues, today introduced a resolution honoring the career of U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on the occasion of her retirement from the Court.

"Women today owe their success in the legal profession to the ground-breaking actions of women like Sandra Day O'Connor," said Rep. Brown-Waite. "Justice O'Connor's two decades on the Supreme Court have encouraged thousands of women to enter the legal profession. Her courage, fortitude, and judicial temperance enabled her to ably serve on the nation's highest Court and become a role model for all American women. Justice O'Connor was a pioneer in her field and has clearly left an enduring mark on American jurisprudence. Her legacy will continue to inspire and motivate women for years to come."

The yet to be numbered Resolution states that it is resolved that the House of Representatives:

- (1) Honors Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on the occasion of her retirement from the United States Supreme Court;
- (2) Commends Justice Sandra Day O'Connor for her hard work and dedication to the law;
- (3) Recognizes Justice Sandra Day O'Connor as a pioneer for women in law, helping women become a permanent and integral part of the legal profession.

“Justice O’Connor brought a sense of understanding and a woman’s perspective that was absent from the U.S. Supreme Court until her confirmation in 1981. As the first female Supreme Court Justice, she broke through the gender barrier that had excluded women for the first two centuries of the Court’s existence,” said Rep. Solis. “Justice O’Connor has served honorably as a trailblazer for other women in the law, distinguishing herself as an exceptional legal mind and a tireless champion of women’s rights and equality.”

A copy of the resolution is attached to this release.

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